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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Raritan Borough Municipal Building/Police Building Repurpose project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for the project is the Borough of Raritan, New Jersey, located at 22 First Street, Raritan, NJ 08869. The funding would be used for the Borough of Raritan to renovate the existing municipal building to be solely utilized by the Borough Police department and Court System. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the current building has reached its end usable lifespan as a shared building and requires renovations to meet current Department of Justice standards and police department standards. In addition, there are a number of code and energy efficiency updates that are needed to expand the building lifespan. The improvements would include overhaul of existing elevator system, HVAC, window replacement, ADA barrier free, overall sally port, restrooms, holding cells, evidence rooms and court facilities and community policing outreach space. This project would provide vital public safety improvements to aid the department in their public safety mission.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Kean, Jr. Member of Congress